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For: BACK PRESSURE TEST FIXTURE TO
ALLOW PROBING OF INTEGRATED
CIRCUIT PACKAGE SIGNALS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING
CONTINUATION APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the application in view of the amendments and comments set forth below prior to examination of the current application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 6 of this paper and include replacement sheets.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 8 of this paper.